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BEFORE THE ARIZONA POWER PLANT AND TRANSMISSION LINE SITING COMMITTEE

IN THE MATTER OF THE Docket No. L-00000KK-09-0299-00147 APPLICATION OF SEP-II, LLC, IN CONFORMANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF ARIZONA Case No. 147 **REVISED STATUTES SECTION 40-**360, et seq., FOR A CERTIFICATE OF ENVIRONMENTAL COMPATIBILITY AUTHORIZING THE MESQUITE SOLAR GEN-TIE 230KV TRANSMISSION LINE ORIGINATING AT THE PROPOSED MESOUITE SOLAR PHOTO VOLTAIC GENERATING FACILITY IN SEC. 18, T.1S., R.6W. G&SRB&M, DOCKETED TERMINATING AT THE EXISTING MESOUITE GENERATING STATION 230KV SWITCHYARD IN SEC. 15, T.1S., R.6W. G&SRB&M, IN **DOCKETED BY** MARÍCOPA COUNTY, ÁRIZONA.

NOTICE OF HEARING

A PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE HELD before the Arizona Power Plant and Transmission Line Siting Committee ("Committee") regarding the Application of SEP-II, LLC ("Applicant") for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility authorizing the Mesquite Solar Gen-Tie 230 kV Transmission Line Project ("Project") in Maricopa County, Arizona. The hearing will be held at the Hampton Inn & Suites, 2000 North Litchfield Road, Goodyear, Arizona, 85395, (623) 536-1313, beginning on August 13, 2009, at 9:30 a.m. and continuing, if necessary, on August 14, 2009, at 9:30 a.m. The hearing will adjourn at approximately 5:00 p.m. Additional hearing days, if necessary, will be noticed on the Arizona Corporation Commission website ("ACC") website. The ACC www.azcc.gov/AZ Power Plant/LineSiting-Calendar.asp. Public comment will be taken at the beginning of each hearing day.

The Committee may conduct a tour of the Project area and the Proposed Route on a future date. If a tour is conducted, a map and itinerary for the tour will be available at the hearings. Members of the public may follow the Committee in their own private vehicles. During any tour, the Committee may hear brief testimony at stops

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 on the tour from one or more witnesses concerning where the stops are located, what is visible at the stops and the relevance of the location and view to the Proposed Route of the transmission line in the Application. No other discussion or deliberation concerning the Application will occur.

The Project consists of approximately five miles of 230kV transmission line to be constructed. A general location map of the Project study area and Applicant's Preferred and Alternate Routes containing references to the routes described herein is set forth below.

The Proposed Route originates at the proposed Mesquite Solar 230kV Switchyard, located south of the existing Mesquite Generating Station wildlife oasis located in the north half of the northeast quarter of Section 18, Township 1 South, Range 6 West, G&SRB&M. The Proposed Route terminates at the existing Mesquite Generating Station 230kV Switchyard, located in the northeast quarter of the northwest quarter of Section 15, Township 1 South, Range 6 West, G&SRB&M. The Applicant requests a 240-foot corridor, 120 feet on either side of the shown centerline. Both preferred and alternative alignments for the approximate five mile Project have been submitted by the Applicant.

More complete maps, along with more detailed textual descriptions of the proposed alignment are available in the Application itself. The Application, including detailed maps of the proposed Project, is on file with the Docket Control Office of the Arizona Corporation Commission, 1200 West Washington Street, Suite 108, Phoenix, Arizona 85007. Copies of the Application also are available for inspection at the following location:

■ Town of Buckeye Public Library, 310 N. 6th Street, Buckeye, Arizona 85326

Depending on the issues raised and the number of intervenors appearing during the hearing, the Committee may deem it appropriate at some point to recess the hearing to a time and place to be announced during the hearing, or to be determined after the recess. These dates and places will be posted on the ACC website. At the discretion of the Committee, such resumed hearing may be held at a date, time and place designated by the Committee or its Chairman.

NOTE: NOTICE OF SUCH RESUMED HEARING WILL BE GIVEN. PUBLISHED NOTICE OF SUCH RESUMED HEARING IS NOT REQUIRED.

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Each county and municipal government and state agency interested in the proposed Project and desiring to become a party to the proceeding, shall, not less than 10 days before the date set for hearing, provide the Committee Chairman by filing with the Arizona Corporation Commission, 1200 West Washington, Phoenix, Arizona 85007, a notice of its intent to be a party.

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Any domestic, non-profit corporation or association, formed in whole or in part to promote conservation of natural beauty, to protect the environment, personal health or other biological values, to preserve historical sites, to promote consumer interests, to represent commercial and industrial groups or to promote the orderly development of the area in which the Project is to be located and desiring to become a party to the certification proceeding, shall, not less than 10 days before the date set for hearing, provide the Committee Chairman by filing with the Arizona Corporation Commission, 1200 West Washington, Phoenix, Arizona 85007, a notice of its intent to be a party.

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> The Committee or its Chairman, at any time deemed appropriate, may make other persons parties to the proceedings.

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Any person may make a limited appearance at the hearing by providing a statement in writing with the Committee Chairman by filing with the Arizona Corporation Commission, 1200 West Washington, Phoenix, Arizona 85007, not less than five days before the date set for hearing. A person making a limited appearance shall not be a party or have the right to present testimony or cross-examine witnesses.

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This proceeding is governed by Arizona Revised Statutes Sections 40-360 to 40-360.13 and Arizona Administrative Code Rules R14-3-201 to R14-3-219. written decision of the Committee shall be submitted to the Arizona Corporation Commission pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes Section 40-360.07. Any person intending to be a party before the Arizona Corporation Commission must be a party to the certification proceedings before the Committee.

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ORDERED this 10th day of June, 2009.

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And Transmission Line Siting Committee Assistant Attorney General

